



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sternberg and Barr Art Unit: 1632
Application No.: 09/479,467 Examiner: Paras Jr., P.
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Title: POLYCYSTIC KIDNEY DISEASE GENE HOMOLOGS
REQUIRED FOR MALE MATING BEHAVIOR IN NEMATODES
AND ASSAYS BASED THEREON

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 20, 2003, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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